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The Newsletter Spring Term No.11 – 24th March 2022 Follow us on twitter @StOswaldsCPS

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Dear Parents/Carers

Update since last newsletter:

- Year 5 had a fabulous time at Borwick Hall last Friday experiencing a whole range of outdoor pursuits. Well done Y5 on your resilience and enthusiasm.
- Reception had a great time learning about plants at 'Bring Yer Wellies' on Tuesday.
- The Girls Football Team played their first football tournament brilliantly on Tuesday and were a credit to the school.
- Y6 arrived safely at Tower Wood yesterday and are enjoying 3 days of the great outdoors in the brilliant sunshine. Y6 are due back at school 3.45pm on Friday.
- PTFA Mother's Day Pop up Shop was very popular. We have a small selection of gifts left if your child forgot their money, just pop into the office.

Coming up:

Monday 28 th March	Y4 Reconciliation Day. The children will be busy all day preparing for their Reconciliation Service at 2.15pm. Y4 Parents are invited to come along to church at 2.15pm to join in with the Service.
Tuesday 29th March	Y4 study trip to 'Formby Beach and Eco Centre', Southport! Children need to be in school uniform but need to wear jogging bottoms (no jeans) and appropriate footwear for outdoors (walking boots or trainers).
Wednesday 30 th March.	School Meal Promotion Easter Lunch - Let the office know by Friday 25 th March if you wish for your child to be included (slip was on newsletter no.9)
Wednesday 30 th March	Join us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning, 10-11am in the School Hall. Let us know if you can make it by sending in the slip (last week's newsletter) so we know how many cups of tea we need to make!
Monday 28 th –Thursday 31 st March	Raffle tickets are on sale in each class for 50p per ticket for PTFA Easter Raffle. Winners of the Easter Eggs will be announced in Golden Assembly on Friday 1 st April. If your child wishes to buy raffle tickets, please send money in an envelope with your child's name on and their class. Last year we did run out of raffle tickets but this year we are ready!! All proceeds going towards our Forest School resources.
Wednesday 30 th Mar-Friday 1 st April	PTFA Easter Cake Sale 3.15pm on the playground. Huge thanks to Mrs Novak who has kindly offered to bake for this event! All proceeds to help buy Forest School resources.

Thursday 31 st March	Y2 walk to the Library. Permission slips for walks in the local vicinity were received at the beginning of the academic year when your child started school. Your child will need a showerproof coat and be in full school uniform.
Friday 1 st April	25 th Anniversary of World Book Day this year so a special day for everyone. Every child will receive a free book and the children and staff can dress as a book character for the day!

School Meal Vouchers:

Free School Meal vouchers will be provided for the Easter holidays from Edenred. If you are entitled (families with children on free school meals who are in receipt of benefits) you will receive an electronic supermarket voucher on Friday 1st April for the value of £55.00 per child (£110.00 for 2 children). This allocation is larger than would be expected for a 1-2 week holiday period, allowing recipient families the benefit of expending the additional allocation on food or essential clothing items (retailer permitting).

The benefit entitlements are:

- Income support or Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, with an annual income of less than £16,190 and not in receipt of Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit

If you think you meet any of these criteria, we do urge you to register. All you need to do is complete a simple form which is available from the school office or, alternatively, contact LCC on 01772 531809 and provide them with the claimant's (parent's) name, date of birth and National Insurance number and they will be able to confirm over the phone whether or not you are entitled.

Lancashire Adult Learning's Family Learning Offer:

Lancashire Adult Learning are keen to work with schools to provide a free curriculum offer which would best support their relationship with parents and families. Please find attached information on Lancashire Adult Learning's Family Learning Offer, which is aimed at helping parents/carers to better engage and support their children.

Reminder - Summer Uniform:

When we return to school on **Tuesday 19th April**, the children are to wear summer uniform:

Boys: School polo shirt with logo, school sweatshirt with logo, grey trousers or shorts, grey socks & black school shoes.

Girls: Green/white gingham dress, school sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan with logo, white socks, black school shoes, green scrunchies, green headbands or green bobbles are allowed.

Our uniform supplier is Justs in Penwortham who are very helpful for all uniform requirements.

And finally...

As always we ask that you get in touch with any concerns that you may have as we do try our best to help! If you are unsure of anything, check with us for clarification.

Yours sincerely

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